

Nays—Messrs. Goldsborough, President; Belt, Berry, of Prince George's, Billingsley, Blackiston, Bond, Briscoe, Brown, Carter, Chambers, Cunningham, Duvall, Earle, Edelen, Farrow, Gale, Henkle, Hopper, Horsey, Jones, of Somerset, Kennard, King, Lansdale, Lee, Marbury, Mitchell, Miller, Murray, Parker, Smith, of Carroll, Smith, of Worcester, Stirling, Sykes, Turner—34.

As their names were called—

Mr. NEGLEY said: I was perfectly willing to extend the time that was asked this morning, in order that this debate might be gotten through with, and that gentlemen who desired to speak might have the opportunity. I came here this afternoon in good faith to listen to them; but they have manifested a disposition not to speak excepting under such circumstances as they may select. As the majority has extended to them the opportunity to speak, so far as they could reasonably ask it, and as they have not embraced it, I think we are at liberty to reconsider this and shorten the time. I vote aye.

Mr. SANDS said: I am disposed to extend all the time that is absolutely necessary for the argument. I only know of two or three gentlemen in the House who may wish to address the House to-morrow, and I think we may get through with them very easily to-morrow before one o'clock. If we can, I see no reason why we should postpone the conclusion of the debate for twenty-four hours longer. I therefore vote aye.

So the motion to reconsider did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Briscoe—
The Convention adjourned.

THIRTY-THIRD DAY.

WEDNESDAY, June 15, 1864.

The Convention met at 10 o'clock, A. M.
Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Davenport.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Goldsborough, President; Abbott, Annan, Audoun, Baker, Barron, Berry, of Prince George's, Billingsley, Blackiston, Bond, Briscoe, Brooks, Brown, Carter, Chambers, Crawford, Cunningham, Cushing, Daniel, Davis, of Charles, Davis, of Washington, Dellinger, Duvall, Earle, Ecker, Edelen, Farrow, Gale, Galloway, Greene, Hebb, Henkle, Hoffman, Hollyday, Hopkins, Hopper, Horsey, Jones, of Cecil, Jones, of Somerset, Keefer, Kennard, King, Lansdale, Larsh, Lee, Marbury, Markey, McComas, Mitchell, Miller, Mullikin, Murray, Negley, Noble, Nyman, Parker, Parran, Purnell, Ridgely, Robinette, Russell, Sands, Schley, Scott, Smith, of Carroll, Smith, of Worcester, Sneary, Stirling, Swope, Sykes, Thronston, Todd, Turner, Valiant, Wickard, Wooden—77.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Keefer,

It was ordered to be entered on the Journal, that P. G. Schlosser, of Frederick county, is absent from his seat in this body on account of sickness in his family.

THE LEGISLATURE.

Mr. SCHLEY, from the Committee on the Legislative Department, submitted the following report:

ARTICLE 3.

Legislative Department.

Section 1. The Legislature shall consist of two distinct branches, a Senate and House of Delegates, which shall be styled "The General Assembly of Maryland."

Sec. 2. The members of the House of Delegates shall be elected by the qualified voters of the counties and city of Baltimore, respectively, to serve for two years from the day of their election.

Sec. 3. The first election for Senators and Delegates shall take place on the first Wednesday of November, eighteen hundred and sixty-four; and the elections for Delegates, and as nearly as practicable, for one-half of the Senators, shall be held on the same day in every second year thereafter; and the election for Representatives from this State in the Congress of the United States, shall take place on the same day.

Sec. 4. Immediately after the Senate shall have convened, after the first election under this Constitution, the Senators shall be divided by lot into two classes, as nearly equal in number as may be,—the Senators of the first class shall go out of office at the expiration of two years, and Senators shall be elected on the first Wednesday of November, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, for the term of four years to supply their places; so that, after the first election, one-half of the Senators may be chosen every second year. In case the number of Senators be hereafter increased, such classification of the additional Senators shall be made as to preserve, as nearly as may be, an equal number in each class.

Sec. 5. The General Assembly shall meet on the first Wednesday of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, and on the same day in every second year thereafter, and at no other time, unless convened by the Proclamation of the Governor.

Sec. 6. The General Assembly may continue their first session after the adoption of this Constitution, as long as in the opinion of the two Houses the public interests may require it, but all subsequent regular sessions of the General Assembly shall be closed on the last Thursday of March next ensuing the time of their commencement, unless the same shall be closed at an earlier day by the agreement of the two Houses. And when the